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<b>Title of the study:</b>	AN OPEN LABEL, NON COMPARATIVE CLINICAL TRIAL OF EFFICACY AND SAFETY OF 3 MONTHS TAVANIC (LEVOFLOXACIN) TREATMENT AS PART OF COMPLEX MANAGEMENT OF MULTI-DRUG RESISTANT TUBERCULOSIS (MDR TB) IN THE RF		
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<b>Publications (reference):</b>	LEVOF L 00972		
<b>Study period:</b> Date first patient/subject enrolled: June 2007 Date last patient/subject completed: April 2008	<b>Phase of development:</b> Phase IV		
<b>Objectives:</b>	-To obtain data on efficacy of TAVANIC in the treatment of drug-resistant tuberculosis. -To collect data on safety of TAVANIC in the treatment of drug-resistant tuberculosis.		
<b>Methodology:</b>	Non-comparative, open-label		
<b>Number of patients/subjects:</b>	Enrolled: 100	Treated: 100	
<b>Evaluated:</b>	Efficacy assessment : 94 (PP population)	Safety: 100 (ITT population)	
<b>Diagnosis and criteria for inclusion:</b>	-Female and male patients, aged from 18. -Drug-resistant tuberculosis, with laboratory confirmation at the study entry (at 1Visit). Drug resistance is defined as resistance of Mycobacterium tuberculosis to the following anti-tuberculous agents of I and II choice: isoniazid, rifampicin (patients were treated previously even one of them ) -Readiness of patient to fulfill protocol requirements and to comply with the dosing regimen of the study drug - Signed informed consent.		
<b>Exclusion criteria:</b>	-Hypersensitivity to levofloxacin or other fluoroquinolones. -Central nervous system disorders: epilepsy, history of seizures. -Pregnancy and lactation. -Tendon disorders during previous treatment with quinolones.		
<b>Investigational product:</b>	Tavanic (levofloxacin)		
<b>Dosage and Administration:</b>	Patients with body weight < 90kg take levofloxacin 500 mg/day. Patients with body weight > 90kg take levofloxacin 500 mg twice daily.		
<b>Duration of treatment:</b> 3 months	<b>Duration of observation:</b> NA		
<b>Criteria for evaluation:</b>			
<b>Efficacy:</b>	-Number of patients with bacterioexcretion. -Change in XR-examination picture. -Dynamics in tuberculosis clinical symptoms.		
<b>Safety:</b>	- All treatment emergent AE/SAE.		

<b>Statistical methods:</b>	<p>All populations (ITT population- for safety evaluated and PP population- for efficacy evaluated) will be analyzed by means of descriptive statistics.</p> <p>Continuous normally distributed variables will be described by the following statistics: mean, standard deviation, median, minimal and maximal values.</p> <p>Categorical variables will be described by frequencies and percentages.</p> <p>Two-sided statistical tests were used with a significance level of 0.05.</p> <p>95% Confidence interval were constructed for % of patients without bacterioexcretion after 3 month therapy.</p>		
<b>Summary (baseline characteristics):</b>	<p>Mean age of patients 34,8 (<math>\pm 11,0</math>), ( median 31,7 ).</p> <p>Male 63%, female 37%.</p> <p>Average BMI- 21,9 (<math>\pm 2,4</math> kg/m<sup>2</sup>).</p> <p>14 % patients with diagnosis disseminated tuberculosis, 55% patients- diagnosis of infiltrative tuberculosis, 23 % patients- diagnosis of caseous pneumonia, 1% patient- diagnosis of tuberculosis internal gland, 7% patients- diagnosis of fibrocavernous tuberculosis. All 100% patients discharged bacteria before the beginning of therapy. 26% patients had hectic fever, 59% patients had low grade fever.</p> <p>88% patients had cough with sputum. 37% patients had purulent sputum, 37% patients had mucopurulent sputum. 14% patients had hemoptysis, 57% patients- shortness of breath, 47% patients- tachycardia.</p> <p>Drug resistance MBT to Isoniazid had 100% patients, to Rifampicin- 100% patients, to Streptomycin- 69% patients, to Kanamycin- 53% patients, to Ethambutol- 50% patients, to Rifabutin- 31% patients, to Protonamide- 21% patients, to Ofloxacin- 8% patients, to Amikacin- 2 %patients, to P-Aminosalicilic acid- 1% patient, to Capreomycin- 1% patient.</p> <p>Multiple lung cavities (X-ray examination) had 50% patients; single lung cavities had 43% patients.</p>		
<b>Efficacy results:</b>	<b>Signs and symptoms</b>	<b>At the beginning of therapy N=94</b>	<b>After 3 month of therapy N=94</b>
	Subjects with bacterioexcretion	94 patients (100%)	22 (23,4%). 76,6% of patients, wasn't a subject with bacterioexcretion after 3 month therapy. 95% confidence interval for % of patients without bacterioexcretion after 3 month therapy is (68%; 85,2%), p<0,00001
	Body temperature	only 15 patients (15,9%) had normal body temperature. 26 patients (27,7%) had hectic fever before beginning of therapy.	83 patients (88,3%) had normal body temperature, p<0,00001. There was no patients with hectic fever, p<0,00001.
	Cough with sputum	82 patients (87,2%)	33 patients (35,1%), p<0,00001.
	Purulent sputum	35 patients (37,2%)	1 patient (1,06%) had purulent sputum, p<0,00001.
	Mucopurulent sputum	33 patients (35,1%)	4 patient (4,3%), p<0,00001.
	Hemoptysis	13 patients (13,8%)	already after 2 month therapy there was no patients with hemoptysis, p=0,00019.
	Shortness of breath	54 patients (57,4%)	11 patients (11,7%), p<0,00001.
	Tachycardia	42 patients (44,7%)	17 patients (18,1%), p=0,000085.
	Lung cavities (clinical examination)	99 patients (99%)	74 patients (78,7%). 92 patients (97,9%) had partial resolution of inflammatory lesions, p=0,000011.
	Multiple lung cavities (X-ray examination)	46 patients (48,9%)	20 patients (21,3%), p=0,000071.
	Multiple or single lung cavities (X-ray examination)	87 patients (92,6%)	65 patients (69,2%), p=0,000046.
	Body weight	(65,6 $\pm$ 11,0 kg).	(69,7 $\pm$ 10,7 kg), p<0,00001.
	Heamoglobin count	(122,6 $\pm$ 21,1 g/l).	(132,3 $\pm$ 12,5 g/l), p<0,00001.
	Leucocytes count	(9,86 $\pm$ 2,67*10 <sup>9</sup> /l).	(7,11 $\pm$ 1,81*10 <sup>9</sup> /l), p<0,00001.
	Lymphocytes count	(23,3 $\pm$ 8,0%).	(30,4 $\pm$ 7,9%), p<0,00001.
	ESR	(36,4 $\pm$ 13,3 mm/hour).	(19,1 $\pm$ 9,6 mm/hour), p<0,00001.

Safety results:	<p>There are no serious adverse events during the trial.</p> <p>4 patients had treatment withdrawn due to AEs separately: 1 patient had stable increase ALT and 3 patients had a diarrhea. 2 patients no follow-up.</p> <p>29 patients had any adverse events during the therapy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-18 patients had adverse events with liver,</li> <li>-6 patients had adverse events with gastrointestinal tract,</li> <li>-3 patients had adverse events with blood system,</li> <li>-3 patients had adverse events with CNS.</li> </ul> <p>There are no adverse events concerned with cardiovascular or urogenital systems.</p> <p>AST: before beginning of therapy <math>26,8 \pm 13,5</math> U/l, after 3 month therapy <math>(30,8 \pm 14,4</math> U/l) (P=0,034).</p> <p>ALT: before beginning of therapy <math>(29,0 \pm 19,4</math> U/l), after 3 month therapy <math>(33,8 \pm 14,9</math> U/l) (P=0,04).</p>
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